Reviewer's report

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I have reviewed the revised manuscript and the authors' responses. The manuscript has improved very much and nearly all the issues raised by the reviewers have been addressed. The statistics are fine.

I would like to ask the authors to make sure they consistently use the correct spelling for the pathogen: Salmonella enterica (in italics) Typhi (capital letter and not in italics) and to correct the legend in fig 2 regarding the 'contaminated tap'.

I still think this is a nicely written article of importance in its field. Congratulations to the authors.

I have no competing interests.